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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114****Mail Stop RCE**

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Sir:

This paper accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and is responsive to the final Office Action mailed on April 28, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.